

April 8 and 9 on board the nuclear icebreaker Lenin Rosatomflota State Corporation "Rosatom  
" for the

first time

in

Russia

held a meeting

of the Ice

Board

(Transatlantic Ice Council).

This

organization

was

founded in

2009

and

gathers

experts

in

ice

navigation

of

the six

countries

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Russia

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Canada

, USA

,

Sweden

,

Finland

and Germany

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The Council

meets

twice a year

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it

was the fourth

such

meeting

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Ice

council  
allows  
a recognized  
expert in  
ice  
navigation  
exchange  
views  
, experiences  
,  
ask questions and  
work together to find  
a solution  
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Every time we collect recognized professionals and discuss with them current problems of ice navigation

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said  
Chairman of the Board  
, Anders  
Backman  
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We are  
convinced  
that the countries  
participating in the  
Arctic  
must cooperate  
to  
develop a  
robust  
management system  
in the ice conditions

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to analyze  
the possible risks.  
We  
need to  
collectively  
understand  
how  
to avoid accidents and

reduce  
environmental  
impact

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At a meeting in Murmansk have been invited to ice captains members of the Association of Sea Captains

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President of the  
of the Association of  
Cherepanov  
A.A.  
worked  
for  
icebreaking cargo  
ships  
of the  
"Norilsk"

,

president of  
the Association of  
Arctic  
Shestopalov  
Valery  
Ivanovich

,

who worked  
on  
nuclear and  
diesel  
icebreakers

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icebreaker  
for bigger  
ships  
such as  
"

Amguema  
;  
Captain  
icebreaker  
Vaigach

Sivkov  
Alexander  
;  
captains  
icebreaking  
transport  
vessels  
Antipin  
, Valery  
Germanovich  
and  
Alexei Grigorievich  
Markov  
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Members of the council focused on discussing the problems of traffic along the Northern Sea Route and other activities in the Arctic coast of Russia.

One member - the captain of the atomic icebreaker "50 let Pobedy" Valentin Sergeyevich Davydants said

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such  
meetings  
are really useful

.  
In fact  
, many  
countries  
are really interested  
in the  
development of  
the Arctic

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It is a pity  
that

in  
this  
project  
Russia  
is not involved

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I would like  
to  
representatives of  
Russia actively  
participated in  
these  
meetings  
, because  
here  
we discuss  
many  
issues  
of ice  
navigation  
in  
the Arctic  
seas

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